

# The Caledonian Mercury.

Edinburgh, Tuesday, July 8, 1729.

From the Daily Post Boy, July 1.

Hague, July 5.

**A**S to the Affair of Mecklemburg, which has made such a Noise in Germany, it is likely to take a very different Turn from what the Emperor's Ministers did propose, in endeavouring to deprive D. Charles Leopold of his Territories; and transferring them to his younger Brother Christian-Lewis, under the Name of *Administrator*; which, tho' agreeable with the Mandates of the Aulick Council, is notoriously contrary to the Laws and Constitutions of the Empire, to the Treaty of Westphalia, and to the Capitulation sworn to by the present Emperor himself. Wherefore the Duke of Mecklemburg has acted the prudent Part, in throwing himself into the Arms of his Britannick Majesty, to whom he designs to make a Visit in Person, to the great Mortification of the Imperial Ministers, who may in time be convinced, that they are not absolutely to play the Master in the Empire. Be that as it will, sure the King of Britain has it now in his Power to repay with Interest any Chagrin he may have received on the part of the Imperial Court; and by espousing the Cause of the Duke of Mecklemburg, he may open a way to a Reconciliation with the Czar.

Our last Letters from Stockholm make the King of Sweden's Voyage to Germany very uncertain, or rather assure us that it is laid aside: For they mention that some unexpected Obstacle is thrown in the way, which will detain his Majesty in Sweden this Summer at least. However, the Marches and Countermarches of the Russians in Finland and Livonia, together with their Armaments for Sea Service, may reasonably be suggested as the Cause of this Alteration in his Swedish Majesty's Councils and Resolves.

From the Supplement to th' Amsterd. Gazette, July 8.

Rome, June 18. Yesterday the Chevalier de St. George, the Princess his Spouse, and the Princes

their Sons, had Audience of the Pope: That Princess had before waited on his Holiness at Albano, who received her with all Marks of paternal Tenderness. The Chevalier de St. George has appointed Father Michel to teach his eldest Son to write Italian.

Berlin, July 1. We hear that his Majesty is to set out for Aufpach. According to Letters from Warsaw of the 25th past, the King of Poland was to set out for Grodno the 9th of August; and they reckoned his Majesty would return about the middle of October.

Paris, July 1. They write from Cadix, that the 12 Men of War continued in that Bay; and they expected 7 or 8 more, from 30 to 60 Guns each, all furnished with 6 Months Provisions.

The Courier Bannieres being not yet arrived, we continue in the same State of Uncertainty as before. If the final Answer of Spain proves not satisfactory, we are assured that several of the Plenipotentiaries will forthwith retire to their respective Courts.

From the London Evening-Post, July 1.

Leghorn, June 11. On Monday arrived here from Cagliari a French Tartane, the Captain whereof reports, that the *St. John* and the *St. Raymond*, two Maltese Men of War, were arrived there, having been cruizing in the Seas of Spain. We hear nothing concerning the Peace, Spain still insisting on the Restitution of Gibraltar and Portmahon.

London, July 1. His Majesty's Ship the *Namur*, a 22 Rate. being lately rebuilt, will be launched about the Middle of August; and we hear her Majesty, the Prince of Wales, and the rest of the R. Family, will be present on that Occasion.

Mr. David Monro Gent. is made Yeoman of the Ewry. This Officer takes care of the Linen for the King's own Table, lays the Cloth, and serves up the Water after Dinner in Silver Ewers.

On Friday next the Earl of Sunderland intends



to set out for Paris, and will be accompanied by the Lord Herbert, Sir Michael Newton and Charles Stanhope, Esq; His Lordship intends to return by way of Holland.

*Wye's Letter verbatim, London, July 3.*

*Since our last arrived a Mail from France, and one from Flanders.*

**T**HE Committee on the Report relating to the Marshalsea Prison, set forth, That it has been usual in that Prison for the Keepers unlawfully to assume to themselves a pretended Authority of Magistrates, and not only to judge and decree Punishments arbitrarily, but also to execute the same unmercifully; and that there was numberless Instances of their immoderate beating poor Debtors, and these and other Tortures and Cruelties; as screwing certain Instruments of Iron on their Thumbs so close as to force the Blood out of them with exquisite Pain, and an Iron Instrument or Cap for the Head; not counting that these wicked Keepers, in their said pretended Magistracy, found a Way of making within the Prison a Confinement more dreadful than the Strong Room it self, by coupling the Living with the Dead; and have made a Practice of locking up Debtors who displeased them in the Yard with humane Carcases, which were bloated, putrified, and turned green, during the poor Debtors Confinement with them: That the Charities have not been accounted for, but have been scandalously perverted: That great Numbers have perished in the Prison through mere Want; and that many Prisoners have died daily in the said Prison, and no Coroners Inquest have fate upon their Bodies.

Yesterday was tried at the Sittings of King's-bench Court, Westminster, the Inditement against Lady Lawly, for attempting to seduce and suppress Mrs. Tanner, Wife of Mr. Tanner, who was one of the Witnesses to the Deed that was forged by Japhet Crook alias Sir Peter Stranger; and after a long Hearing, the Jury brought her in guilty: However, as to the Executions taken by her Counsel to the Indictment, the Benefit of them saved to her, and are to be argued next Term in the Nature of a Special Verdict. The great Cause betwixt the S. S. Company and Coll. Duncomb, upon the Loan of 10000 l. in the Year 1720, is by Consent

of both Parties is put off 'till next Term. Yesterday Sir Robert Walpole came to Town from Norfolk.

We have no Account by the French Mail of the Courier Banners being returned. It seems by a private Letter from Paris of the 30th past, that his Catholick Majesty had sent fresh Orders to his Ministers there, to insist that the Infant Don Carlos should go to Italy with a Body of Troops, to the Number of 7 or 8000, to make himself secure after the Death of the Grand Duke; and that the Allies of Hanover should be Guarantees to his possessing that Dutchy. But if he send Spanish Troops thither, those Allies, as their Ministers have represented, can have no Right according to the Quadruple Alliance to defend, should the Imperialists attack that Country. This Affair may tend to lessen, if not dissolve the Union between their Imperial and Catholick Majesties.

The Letters from Hanover remark, That Matters of high Importance were transacting there, and 'tis thought may turn the Tables upon those who have not dealt so generous and candid by us as was expected.

We have nothing remarkable from Portsmouth, only that the Duke and Dutchess of Bedford, and the Earl of Essex and other Persons of Quality, dined on board with Sir Charles last Tuesday.

Tomorrow Mr. Lund will be declared Bridgemaister, he having carried it against Mr. Billiers, by a Majority of 579. Mr. Tymes, one of the Common Council of Cripplegate Ward, is appointed Under Sheriff. Admiral Stewart sets out on Monday next for Portsmouth. S. S. Stock, 102, 1 half.

*From the Daily Post-Boy, July 3.*

*Hague, July 8.* The States of Holland will assemble the 13th, and dispose of the vacant Civil and Military Offices, and also deliberate upon the present critical Situation of the Affairs of Europe.

Some Letters from Paris say, the English Plenipotentiaries would not abate one iota of their Pretensions, insisting more strenuously than ever for an Indemnification of their Merchants Losses by the Depredations of the Spaniards; but this the Spanish Plenipotentiaries wave with the utmost Indulstry; so that the Settlement of this Article may occasion an Infinity of Disputes.

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They write from Rome, that the Pope's Treasurer had taken upon him to acquaint his Holiness, that the Apostolick Chamber was much impoverished, and that it was proper to lope off some of his numerous Pensions, and delivered him in a Scheme how he might retrench, (*an Example worth Imitation*) However, the Chevalier de St. George understanding his Name was in the List of Superfluities, and was thereby to lose Half his Pension, has engaged the Ambassadors of the Emperor and King of Spain to intercede, that there may be no Defalcation thereof.

Affairs of the highest Importance are treating at Hanover, between the K. of G. Britain and some German Princes, which gives the Imperial Ambassador a great deal of Uneasiness, by his not getting in to the secret; the Emperor's unlimited Authority in the Empire, and his continuing to make Incroachments daily, and the reducing it within just Bounds, may make a Part of the Subject of the Negotiations. But the Affair of Mecklenburg is not the sole Cause of these Motions; the Affair of Berg and Juliers, having raised the Envy of the Princes and States of the Empire, and which ties the K. of Prussia fast to the Allies of Vienna, as his Indifference about conferring with his Britannick Majesty does too clearly evince: Nay, 'tis even doubted, whether the Queen of Prussia will be gratify'd with a Sight of the King her Brother.

We have pretty good Reason to believe, that the States have consented, that our Squadron shall be subject to the Orders of Admiral Wager, tho' with some Restrictions. And thus Admiral Sowelsdike's Wings are clip'd, for he cannot act independently.

London, July 3. We are assured from Flanders, that the Officers of the Irish Regiments in the Service of France, report that Leave is given them to recruit their Regiments in Ireland. But we are apt to think they are mistaken, the enlisting Men for Foreign Service being declar'd High Treason, by Act of Parliament of that Kingdom.

Mr. Fairley of Exeter has Notice given him, to prepare for his Trial against the 4th of next Month for Re-printing *Miss's Journal* the 24 August last.

From the Evening Post, July 3.

Cadix, June 21. The Guard de Coasts have lately taken several Prizes, which they have carried

in to the Havana; but 'tis not known of what Nation, tho' supposed to be English.

London, July 3. Admiral Stewart's going to Portsmouth is put off for a few Days.

On Monday last his Grace the Duke of Hamilton and Brandon arrived here from beyond Seas; his Grace was Yesterday at Court to wait on her Majesty, he designs to set out for Paris in a Fourtnight.

From the Flying Post, July 3.

Vienna, June 26. All the Talk at present is, of a certain Project on the Tapis, for erecting the Austrian Netherlands and the Dutchy of Lorain into a particular Kingdom, of which the Duke of Lorain is to be declared the Sovereign.

†† The Fourth Storey above the Shops on the South-side of the Plat of PATERSON'S LAND, alias *Deacon Scot's Land*, in the Parliament-close, with Two Rooms at the Top of the Stair, a Garret, a little dark Room and Two Cellars, of 600 Merks yearly Rent, are to be exposed Sale by a voluntary Roup, in the House of Mrs. Thom Vintner in Edinburgh, on Tuesday the 5th of August next, at 3 o' Clock after Noon. The Progress is to be seen in the Hands of Mr. Hugh Sommervell Writer to the Signet, at his House on the North-side of the Street, a little below the Cross, Edinburgh.

¶¶ That the Roup of a Parcel of Bibles &c (formerly advertised to be upon the 16th July Instant) is Prorogate to the 22d Inst. when the same is to proceed, in the Parliament-house, betwixt the Hours of 3 & 6 after Noon. The Conditions of Sale are to be seen in the Hands of Alexander Keith, one of the Under-clerks of Session; and at the Shops of Mr. Robert Freebairn, John Paton, and Mr. James MacEuen, Booksellers in Edinburgh.

Advertisement from the Trustees of MERCHISTON, BLAIR and LETHEM.

THE TRUSTEES having prepared all things for a Sale of the Lands of Merchiston, resolve, That the Ranking shall be immediately finished, that so a Dividend may be made without Delay, when the Money comes to be paid; This is therefore to advertise all the Creditors of the respective common Debtors, that they forthwith Depone before the ARBITERS upon the Verity of their Debts; and for that Purpose, Attendance will be given by the Arbiters in John's Colfehouse, upon each Friday and Wednesday in the Week (betwixt the Hours of 4 and 5 in the Afternoon) of this Session, for taking the Creditors Oaths; who are intreated to come in speedily for that Purpose, that so their own Affairs may not be prolonged. Such as cannot come in, may apply to the Arbiters, by their Doers, for a Commission; which will be granted, if they shew a reasonable Cause or Impediment why they cannot come in to depone at Edinburgh.

¶ That the Lands which appertained to the deceased JAMES MONTEITH of MILNHALL, viz. The Lands of *Whiteside*, paying of yearly Rent about £ 255 14 10 Scots. Item, The Lands of *Clerkstoun*, paying of yearly Rent about £ 240 17 08 Scots. Item, The Lands of *Gilftoun*, paying of yearly Rent about £ 570 10 10 Scots. Item, The Lands of *Little Kerse*, paying of yearly Rent about £ 440 15 00 Scots, and having a well finish'd convenient House, Office-houses and Dovecoat (not rental'd) appertaining thereto. Item, The two Mills of *Polmont*, having a great Thirlage, and the Mill Lands, paying of free yearly Rent, £ 14 15 07 06 Scots, computing the Viftual at 100l. the Chaldier, belike Kains and Carriages not rental'd; lying in the Parish of Falkirk and Sheriffdom of Stirling, and holden Feu partly of His Grace the Duke of Hamilton, and partly of John Hamilton of Bangour: Are to be exposed to Sale, by way of voluntar Roup, either in Whole or in Parcels, upon *Thursday the Tenth Day of July Inst.* betwixt the Hours of 3 & 4 after Noon, in the House of *Robert Biggar Vintner* in Edinburgh. The Rental of the Lands, Progress of the Writs and Conditions of Sale, are to be seen in the Hands of *Hugh Flomyng*, Writer to the Signet, at his Writing chamber the first Stair of the Luckenbooths next the Croft, and in the Hands of *Thomas Smith*, Writer in Linlithgow.

#### BY ADJOURNMENT,

On *Tuesday the FIFTEENTH of July Inst.* in the House of Mrs. Thom Vintner in Edinburgh, 'twixt the Hours of 3 & 4 after Noon; Is to be Sold by voluntar Roup, and in *Five Parcels*, the Barony of KILMARONOCK, holding Blanche of the Crown, having the Privilege of a Regality, lying in the Parish of Kilmarnock and Shire of Dumbarton, and paying yearly £ 1790, *sh.* 4 Scots in Money, 145 Bolls 1 Firlot Meal, at 9 Stone 6 Pound weight the Boll, 136 Bolls 1 Firlot Bear, large Measure, 8 Bolls Oats, 768 Sheaves Straw, 151 Hens, 245 Loads of Peats, and 215 Days-work, all of *Feu-Duty*, and free from Cests: And whereof the Rental, Progress, and Conditions of Sale, are to be seen in the Hands of Mr. HUGH CRAWFORD Clerk to the Signet, at Edinburgh, or of HUGH CRAWFORD Writer, at Glasgow.

¶ That the LODGING or DWELLING-HOUSE, being the Second Storey of that Tenement of Land at the Head of Mackenzie's Close adjacent to the Stone-land at the Head of Blackfriars Wynd, lately possessed by Dr. John Lermouth Physician in Edinburgh, consisting of 6 Fire-rooms, several Closets, a convenient Kitchen, all well lighted; 3 Garrets, 2 whereof are Fire rooms; with a Cellar: AS ALSO, Five Storeys above the Shops of the Timberland, lying on the East side of, and adjacent to the small Stone-land called *Purdie's Land*, on the North-side of the High Street of Edinburgh, a little above the Guard, which formerly belonged to the deceased James Nicolson Under-clerk of the Bills, and now to his Creditors; ARE to be exposed to Sale, either jointly or separately, upon the 22d Day of July Inst. betwixt the Hours of 3 and 5 in the Afternoon, in the House of Alexander Stuart Vintner in Edinburgh. The Progress of Writs, Rental, and Conditions of Roup, are to be seen in the Hands of George Han-aside Writer in Edinburgh.

#### By the Trustees for the Creditors of MERCHISTON, (BY ADJOURNMENT)

The Lands and Barony of MERCHISTON, with the FEUS thereto belonging, Lying, Comprehending, and Paying of free yearly Rent, as formerly advertised, are to be exposed to Sale in Bulk, on Friday the 18th Inst. in the House of Wm. Gray Vintner in the Assembly Close, Edinburgh, betwixt the Hours of 3 and 5 in the Afternoon. And in case Purchasers do not appear for buying the Lands whole-sale, then they are immediately, and at the same Diet, to be exposed to Sale by the Parcels and at the Rents following, viz. The Lands of *Tipperline* and *Myreside*, and the Feu belonging to Richard Johnston, with 34 Acres of the arable Land next adjacent thereto, and presently possessed by Rankeilor, paying yearly as follows, viz. these possessed by Alexander Scot Tenant, £ 73, 6, 8, in Money, and 42 Bolls 3 Firlots 1 Peck Wheat, 89 Bolls 2 Pecks Bear, 12 Bolls 2 Firlots 2 Pecks 1 Lippie Oats, 24 Hens, 32 Carriages, and 6 Turfe of Straw; Richard Johnston, for his Feu, £ 345, 12, 6, and the said 34 Acres possessed by Rankeilor bring at £ 22, 10, per Acre. Item, The Lands of *Gorgie-muir*, *Sunderland* and *Duncanlee*, with 33 Acres wanting 3 Falls of the arable Land next adjacent, also presently possessed by Rankeilor, and paying yearly as follows, viz. the Lands possessed by John Young, 34 Bolls Wheat, 107 Bolls Bear, 13 Bolls Oats, and 4 Bolls Pease, with 40 Hens, 86 Carriages, and 6 Turfe of Straw; and the said Acres possessed by Rankeilor, also at £ 22, 10, per Acre. Item, The Lands called *Tynessle*, and Lands called *Twenty Acres*, and Lands of *Craig Ingilis*, possessed by John Fairer, paying yearly £ 5, 6, 8, in Money, and 29 Bolls 3 Firlots 1 Peck Wheat, 79 Bolls 1 Firlot 3 Pecks Bear, 6 Bolls 2 Firlots 2 Pecks Oats, with 24 Hens, and 40 Carriages. Item, The Parks, consisting of 44 Acres, 35 Falls, (after Deduction of near 4 Acres for the Gardens, Houses, &c.) at £ 25 per Acre, and a Parcel of Land on the North-East of them, consisting of 14 Acres, 46 Falls, at £ 22, 10, per Acre; with the Houle, Gardens and Planting, the Gardens containing 3 Acres or thereby, not rental'd, and to be set up at £ 400 Sterl. and 12 Cotehouses, paying £ 67 yearly. Item, William Adam and James Bayne's Feus, the first paying £ 637, 10, and the other £ 150 yearly, are to sold, either separately, or along with any of the foregoing Parcels. Item, The Feu-duty of £ 4 payable to the Crown, and 7 Bolls 2 Firlots Wheat, and 89 Bolls 2 Firlots 3 Lippies Bear, of payable Teind, is to be deduced from the several Parcels in proportion to the Quantity of Rent; and the 20 Merks payable to the Town of Edinburgh of Feu for Little Merchiston, is to be deduced from the Rent of the Parcel in which it falls. The £ 200 payable by the Town of Edinburgh during the Gift of the 2 Pennies on the Pint of Ale, is to be set up at 15 Years Purchase to any Purchaser. The general and particular Rentals, Progress of Writs and Conditions of Sale, are to be seen in the Hands of JAMES HALIBURTON, Writer to the Signet and Clerk to the Trustees, at his Chamber in the Luckenbooths.

Nota, The Lands in Tenantry are very cheap set, a good part being less than 2 Bolls, and the rest not above 2 Bolls 2 Pecks per Acre. A Map and Measure of the several Parcels of the Estate, done by Mr. Adams, is to be seen in John's Coffee house.

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